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Land & Water Resources Committee June 13th, 2019 – 8:00 am USDA Building, Mauston WI

PRESENT: Joe Lally, Chair, Rodney Seamans, Scott Wilhorn, Chris Zindorf, FSA Rep. Jim Raese, NRCS Rep. Jon Field, Dustin Ladd, Sarah Fleck, Brian Goepfert, DNR Rep. Andrew Craig

- 1. Meeting called to order by chair, Joe Lally, at 8:02 am.
- 2. MINUTES

Motion by Wilhorn seconded by Raese to approve the minutes of May 9th, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.

3. VOUCHERS

Motion by Seamans, seconded by Zindorf. Motion carried

- 4. NRCS- Jon Field
 - *Juneau County has the most CSP applications across the state with 43
 - * Half of the 43 applications are forested, and half are agriculture
 - *1 construction contract has been bid out and work should begin next week
- 5. FSA Jim Raese
 - *Dairy program signup starts 6/17/19
 - *Job interviews were held for the Program Technician position
 - *Crop reporting ends July 15th
- TRI-COUNTY GROUNDWATER UPDATE Dustin Ladd
 - *Dustin Ladd attended a multi-county meeting in Wood Co.
 - *Mark Borchardt with USDA attended the meeting and discussed a multi-county nitrate study
- 7. JUNE WATER TESTING PROGRAM Sarah Fleck
 - *Free nitrate testing for private wells will continue through the month of June

- *The first weekend collection was held June 8/9th in Necedah. Approximately 150 test kits were handed out and 90 tests were returned.
- *9 of the 90 kits returned tested high for nitrates
- *Discussion of public spring fed wells being tested in Juneau

8. DUFFY ROAD UPDATE - Dustin Ladd

- *Equipment was delivered to the Duffy Road site on Monday but construction has not started
- *Funding for the project has been extended so work will continue beyond the month of June

9. FLOOD PLAN -Dustin Ladd

- *A meeting concerning the Juneau/Wood County flood study was held on May 29th at the Necedah Wildlife Refuge
- *Terry Zien and a hydrologist attended the meeting along with township representatives and farmers

10. OFFICE RAIN GARDEN-Dustin Ladd

- *Students from the high school came out to the office and installed a rain garden
- *Dustin Ladd and Jon Field will be looking for donations for plants
- *The area by the Welcome to Mauston sign will be converted into a 25-120 ft long pollinator habitat.

11. WATER QUALITY TASK FORCE- Dustin Ladd

- *A Speaker's Task Force on Water Quality public hearing was held on June 12th at the Mauston High School
- * Dustin Ladd, Melissa Keenan from Sauk, and Nancy Eggleston from Wood county along with other individuals spoke before the committee

12. 9 KEY ELEMENT PLAN-Andrew Craig

*Andrew Craig with the DNR spoke about 9 Key Element Plans and how they can provide a framework for improving water quality

13. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS

*The Lake Redstone Protection District approved 12k for stream monitoring equipment to be installed around Lake Redstone

14. Next meeting set July 11th, 2019 at 8:00 am Location: USDA building

15. Meeting adjourned – Motion by Wilhorn, seconded by Raese to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 a.m. Motion carried.